

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace paragraph 0097 with the following amended paragraph:

[0097] A technique for maintaining primary data and secondary data using synchronous replication between separate security domains is described in U. S. Patent Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ (~~attorney docket VRT0096, client reference VRTS 0395~~) 10/699,475, filed on October 31, 2003, entitled "Synchronous Replication for System and Data Security," and naming as inventor Oleg Kiselev, the application being incorporated by reference herein in its entirety and for all purposes.